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Susan S. Simpson California Department of Transportation Office Chief, Environmental Planning, North 111 Grand Avenue Oakland, CA 94623-0660

Subject: Marin 101 HOV Gap Closure Project Draft EIR

Dear Ms. Simpson:

This District maintains domestic water facilities within the project area. Impacts to these facilities are expected to occur in a number of areas. Perhaps the greatest impact, relative to water pipelines, will be to the domestic water line that is presently located in West Francisco Boulevard in San Rafael. Water utility line impacts are, however generally fiscal in nature since they can usually be moved to adjacent streets. Some disruption in traffic would occur but this impact is usually not considered significant.

Costs for pipeline replacement are presently on the order of \$150 per foot. The Francisco Boulevard section would, therefore, cost approximately \$375,000 to replace. Other costs will be incurred for such items as relocating meters, abandoning lines in area of demolition etc.

If you have any questions or comments please call me at 415.924.4600 ext. 291.

Sincerely, Cruc Mc Mure

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Environmental Services Coordinator

